

CLAIMS:

1. A computerized method for determining expenses related to travel, the method comprising:
  - storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations;
  - tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments; and
  - automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations.
2. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the automatically assigning expenses comprises comparing the location of the user to the plurality of different locations.
3. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the automatically assigning expenses comprises determining a number of miles traveled by the user between the plurality of different locations.
4. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising displaying the plurality of appointments and the expenses associated with the plurality of appointments.
5. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising generating a report of the plurality of appointments and expenses associated with the plurality of appointments.

6. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the automatically assigning expenses comprises assigning a cost of at least one of an airplane ticket and a train ticket to one of the plurality of appointments.
7. The computerized method of claim 6 wherein the assigning the cost of at least one of an airplane ticket and a train ticket comprises comparing at least one of the arrival and departure locations to the different locations of the appointments.
8. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the assigning expenses comprises assigning at least one credit card purchase expense to the plurality of appointments.
9. The computerized method of claim 8 wherein the assigning at least one credit card purchase expense comprises comparing at least one of the location and the time of the credit card purchase to a time and a location of the plurality of appointments.
10. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising manually assigning expenses to the plurality of appointments.
11. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising storing a plurality of contact profiles comprising at least a name and a location of the contact, and automatically assigning the location of the appointment as the location of the contact.
12. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the storing further comprises determining a mode of transportation to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the location of the contact, and

wherein the automatically assigning expenses is based on the mode of transportation.

13. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising storing at least one note and document relating to the appointment.

14. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising notifying the user of at least one of a message and a warning.

15. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising providing information to the user based on the physical location of the user.

16. The computerized method of claim 1 further comprising automatically scheduling a plurality of appointments based on a yellow pages directory category.

17. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the storing, the tracking, and the automatically assigning expenses is performed on a portable device.

18. The computerized method of claim 1 wherein the storing, the tracking, and the automatically assigning expenses is performed on at least one of a handheld device, a laptop computer, and a cell phone.

19. A computerized method for determining expenses related to travel, the method comprising:

- storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations;

- tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments;

- automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations;

- automatically assigning expenses regarding at least one of an airplane ticket and a train ticket to at least one of the plurality of appointments;

- automatically assigning expenses regarding a purchase to at least one of the plurality of appointments; and

- at least one of displaying and printing a report of the plurality of appointments and the expenses associated with the plurality of appointments.

20. A computerized method for assisting a traveler, the method comprising:

- storing a plurality of contact profiles comprising at least a name and a location of the contact,

- storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations, the storing comprising automatically assigning at least one location of the contact as the location of the appointment;

- tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments;

- automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations;

storing at least one note and document relating to at least one of the appointments;

notifying the user of at least one of a message and a warning; and

providing information to the user relating to the physical location of the user.

21. The computerized method of claim 20 further comprising determining a mode of transportation to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the location of the contact in the client profiles, and wherein the automatically assigning expenses is based on the mode of transportation.

22. A portable electronic device for determining expenses related to travel for a user, the device comprising:

a processor;

a position locating device, a memory, an input device, and a display, and a wireless transmitter operably connected to said processor; and

wherein said processor is operable to store a plurality of appointments having a plurality of different locations, track a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments based on data from the position locating device, automatically assign expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations.

23. The portable electronic device of claim 22 wherein said processor is operable to display on said display at least one of the plurality of appointments and the expenses automatically assigned thereto.

24. The portable electronic device of claim 22 wherein said processor is operable to display on said display a report of the expenses.

25. A portable electronic device for determining expenses related to travel for a user, the device comprising:

a processor;

a position locating device, a memory, an input device, and a display, and a wireless transmitter operably connected to said processor; and

wherein said processor is operable to store a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations, track a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments based on data from the position locating device, automatically assign expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations, automatically assign expenses regarding at least one of an airplane ticket and a train ticket to at least one of the plurality of appointments, automatically assign expenses regarding a purchase to at least one of the plurality of appointments, and at least one of display and print a report of the plurality of appointments and the expenses associated with the plurality of appointments.

26. A portable electronic device for determining expenses related to travel for a user, the device comprising:

a processor;

a position locating device, a memory, an input device, and a display, and a wireless transmitter operably connected to said processor; and

wherein said processor is operable to store a plurality of contact profiles comprising at least a name and a location of the contact, store a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations, said storing comprising automatically assigning at least one location of the contact as the location of the appointment, track a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments based on data from said position locating device, automatically assign expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations, store at least one note and document relating to at least one of the appointments, notify the user of at least one of a message and a warning, and provide information to the user relating to the physical location of the user.

27. The portable electronic device of claim 26 wherein said processor is operable to display on said display at least one of the plurality of appointments and the expenses automatically assigned thereto.

28. The portable electronic device of claim 26 wherein said processor is operable to display on said display a report of the expenses.

29. A system for determining travel expenses, the system comprising:  
means for storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations;  
means for tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments; and  
means for automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations.

30. A system for determining travel expenses, the system comprising:  
means for storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations;  
means for tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments;  
means for automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations;  
means for automatically assigning expenses regarding at least one of an airplane ticket and a train ticket to at least one of the plurality of appointments;  
means for automatically assigning expenses regarding a purchase to at least one of the plurality of appointments; and  
at least one of means for displaying and means for printing a report of the plurality of appointments and the expenses associated with the plurality of appointments.



31. A system for determining travel expenses, the system comprising:

- means for storing a plurality of contact profiles comprising at least a name and a location of the contact,
- means for storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations, said storing comprising automatically assigning at least one location of the contact as the location of the appointment;
- means for tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments;
- means for automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations;
- means for storing at least one note and document relating to the appointment;
- means for notifying the user of at least one of a message and a warning; and
- means for providing information to the user based on the physical location of the user.

32. A method for providing a service to a business for determining expenses relating to travel to plurality of appointments for a plurality of employees, the method comprising:

- providing a plurality of handheld devices of claim 22 to the plurality of employees;
- providing a central computing unit;
- receiving data at the central computing unit regarding physical locations of the plurality of employees and expenses automatically assigned to the plurality of appointments via a communications network from the plurality of handheld devices; and
- transferring the data from the central computing unit to a business computer via a communications network.

33. The method of claim 32 further comprising receiving data regarding purchases by the employees, and assigning the purchases to the appointments.

34. The method of claim 32 further comprising receiving data regarding booked travel arrangements by the employees, and assigning the purchases to the appointments.

35. The method of claim 32 further comprising transferring data to the users regarding changes in a scheduled mode of transportation.

36. The method of claim 35 further comprising transferring data to the users regarding alternative modes of transportation to an appointment.

37. A method for providing a service to a business for determining expenses relating to travel to plurality of appointments for a plurality of employees, the method comprising:

- providing a plurality of handheld devices of claim 25 to the plurality of employees;

- providing a central computing unit;

- receiving data at the central computing unit regarding physical locations of the plurality of employees and expenses automatically assigned to the plurality of appointments via a communications network from the plurality of handheld devices;

- receiving data regarding purchases by the employees, and automatically assigning the expenses for the purchases to the appointments;

- receiving data regarding booked travel arrangements by the employees, and automatically assigning the expenses for purchases to the appointments; and

transferring the data from the central computing unit to a business computer via a communications network.

38. At least one program storage device readable by a machine tangibly embodying at least one program of instructions executable by the machine to perform a method for determining expenses related to travel, comprising:

storing a plurality of appointments at a plurality of different locations;

tracking a physical location of a user in realtime to the plurality of appointments; and

automatically assigning expenses to at least one of the plurality of appointments based on the tracking of the physical location of the user to the plurality of different locations.

39. At least one program storage device readable by a machine tangibly embodying at least one program of instructions executable by the machine to perform a method for providing a service to a business for determining expenses relating to travel to a plurality of appointments for a plurality of employees, the method comprising:

receiving data at the central computing unit regarding physical locations of the plurality of employees and expenses automatically assigned to the plurality of appointments via a communications network from a plurality of handheld devices; and

transferring the data from the central computing unit to a business computer via a communications network.